MR. P. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*). In view of the answer to part (*a*) these do not arise.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know from the Government whether any person was sent on Government scholarship for higher studies in Ayurvedic medicine ?

MR. P. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: Yes, a stipend was granted to a student.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know the name of that gentleman ?

MR. P. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: One Mr. M. N. Kesava Pillai.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether he has passed any examination ?

MR. P. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: Yes.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether Ayurvedic Inspectors were appointed since his return ?

MR. P. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: There is only one Ayurvedic Inspector. No Inspectors were appointed.

Dispensary at Nooranad.

27 * **MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have accorded sanction for a dispensary at Nooranad;

(*b*) how long it is since such sanction was made;

(*c*) whether any further steps have been taken on the same; and

(*d*) what is the distance of that place from Kayamkulam, Adoor and Mavelikara towns, respectively ?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: (*a*) No. The question was considered and it has been ordered to lie over for the time being.

(*b*) and (*c*). In view of the answer to part (*a*) these do not arise.

(*d*) The distance from Nooranad to Kayamkulam is 8½ miles.
Do. Do. to Adoor 8 miles.
Do. Do. to Mavelikara 11½ miles.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know the reason why this place is not being provided with a dispensary ?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: The Government ordered that the question of opening a dispensary at Nooranad shall lie over for the present because many representations had been received from different parts of the State for the opening of dispensaries. It was thought unwise to open dispensaries in a haphazard manner. A scheme has to be evolved in this connection and such places as are in real need of dispensaries will then be considered.

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